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Most Wildernesses to Require Permit

Permits will be required this summer in 12 of 18 wildernesses within the National Forests of Oregon and Washington, according to the USDA-Forest Service.

Free permits will be required for all visits to Diamond Peak, Eagle Cap, Mountain Lakes, Mt. Hood, Mt. Jefferson, Mt. Washington, and Three Sisters Wildernesses in Oregon, the Pasayten in Washington, and for the Wenaha-Tucannon in Oregon and Washington. Permits will be required only for overnight trips in the Glacier Peak, Goat Rocks, and Mt. Adams Wildernesses in Washington.

No permit is required for the Alpine Lakes Wilderness in Washington, the Gearhart Mountain, Kalmiopsis, Strawberry Mountain, and Wild Rogue Wildernesses in Oregon, and Hells Canyon Wilderness in Oregon and Idaho.

The permit system will be in effect from June 15 to November 15, except for the Glacier Peak, Pasayten, Eagle Cap, and Wenaha-Tucannon, Wildernesses where it is in effect all year.

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Information from permits helps managers relate recreational use to ecological impacts, set trail maintenance priorities, and plan work for wilderness rangers.

The permit system was started in 1972 as part of a continuing effort to obtain more data on use in order to manage areas to preserve wilderness values and the experience sought by more hikers and equestrians each year, according to Jeff Sirmon, Regional Forester, Pacific Northwest Region.

Permits may be obtained by mail or in person for wildernesses in Washington, the Eagle Cap in Oregon, and Wenaha-Tucannon in Oregon and Washington by applying to the National Forest administering the wilderness to be visited. Other wildernesses in Oregon requiring permits will have them available at self-service stations at each trailhead leading into the wilderness. Voluntary self-issue permits are available at the most frequently visited trailheads for the Strawberry Mountain Wilderness in Eastern Oregon and at Malheur National Forest offices.

Persons starting trips in the North Cascades National Park may obtain a National Park Service permit that is also valid in the Glacier Peak and Pasayten Wildernesses administered by the Forest Service.

Applicants for the free permits should inquire about local conditions and certain restrictions such as the size of party, the use of campfires and other resource protection measures.

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Summary Attached

	Permit Required	Permit Required for Over- night only	Permit Required All Year	Permit Required 6/15-11/15 Only	Permit Available at FS Offices and Mail	Permit Available at Trail- heads	National Forest Adminis- tering Wilderness
<u>Wilderness Oregon</u>							
Diamond Peak	X			X		X	Deschutes Willamette
Eagle Cap	X		X		X		Wallowa- Whitman
Gearhart Mtn.							Fremont
Kalmiopsis							Siskiyou
Mountain Lakes	X			X		X	Winema
Mt. Hood	X			X		X	Mt. Hood
Mt. Jefferson	X			X		X	Deschutes, Willamette
Mt. Washington	X			X		X	Deschutes, Willamette
Strawberry Mtn. (Voluntary)						X	Malheur
Three Sisters	X			X		X	Deschutes, Willamette
Wild Rogue <u>Washington</u>							Siskiyou
Alpine Lakes							Mt. Baker- Snoqualmie, Wenatchee
Glacier Peak	X	X	X		X		Mt. Baker- Snoqualmie, Wenatchee
Goat Rocks	X	X			X		Gifford Pinchot
Mt. Adams	X	X			X		Gifford Pinchot
Pasayten	X		X		X		Okanogan
<u>Oregon & Washington</u>							
Wenaha- Tucannon	X		X		X		Umatilla
<u>Oregon & Idaho</u>							
Hells Canyon							Admin. by Wallowa- Whitman



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Record Numbers of Visitors Expected

Record numbers of visitors are expected to use Bureau of Land Management recreation areas and National Forest campgrounds in the Pacific Northwest over the Fourth of July weekend. "Visitor information requests are up over 25 percent from last year in the BLM-Forest Service Information Center in Portland," said Forest Service Regional Forester Jeff M. Sirmon.

Resource and recreation information for the BLM and Forest Service can be obtained in person from the information center in the lobby of the Multnomah Building, 319 SW Pine, in downtown Portland, or by calling (503) 221-2877, or by writing either agency at P.O. Box 3623, Portland, OR 97208. Forest Service maps are available for sale at this office. However, BLM maps for which a charge is made are available only at 825 NE Multnomah in Portland, or by writing P.O. Box 2965, Portland, OR 97208.

A BLM-Forest Service information center is also located in Grants Pass, Oregon. There are three Forest Service-National Park Service information centers in Washington--in Seattle, Forks, and Hoodspoint. Resource and recreation information can be obtained at all of these information centers.

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Fremont National Forest Supervisor to Transfer

John W. Chambers, Supervisor of the Fremont National Forest at Lakeview, will be moving to Washington, D.C., in early September to become assistant director of the Aviation and Fire Management Staff of the USDA-Forest Service.

Chambers' successor at Lakeview has not yet been selected, according to Pacific Northwest Regional Forester Jeff M. Sirmon.

Chambers became Supervisor of the Fremont National Forest in 1975, moving from a range management position in the Forest Service's Southwestern Regional Office in Albuquerque.

He attended Northern Arizona University and was graduated from the University of Montana in 1961 with a degree in forest-range management. He began his Forest Service career the same year on the Sitgreaves National Forest in Arizona where he served in several capacities, including District Ranger. He transferred to staff officer on the Santa Fe National Forest in 1968 and to Albuquerque in 1971.

In his Washington, D.C., assignment, Chambers will be responsible for fire prevention, fuels management, and fire suppression, including administration of the Boise Interagency Fire Center.

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